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1. In the afternoon of 16 May 1951, a train was loaded at the Zerbst railroad station with 6 guns of 76-mm to 88-mm with split-trail carriages and pneumatic twin tires; 7 full-track tractors with 5 bogie wheels and 3 track-supporting rollers per side; 3 T-34 tanks; 3 JS tanks; and 6 SP guns of about 76-mm with 5 bogie wheels per side and without muzzle brakes.

From 40 to 50 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia loaded the materiel. *

2. only very small rear details remained in the Neue Kaserne and the Alte Kaserne in Zerbst. No training activity nor vehicular traffic were observed in the Neue Kaserne. Five soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were seen in the Alte Kaserne.

25X1A* Comment. Possibly a shipment of ordnance materiel consigned to the units of the 7th Gds Tank Div which had probably moved to Letzling Heath.

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